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IO: Fethi Benjemaa Department of Water Resources 901 P Street, Suite 3/3 A Sacramento, CA 95814 FAX NO.: (916) 651-7059 Tune 27, 2011. NO. OF PAGES: 3 (includes cover sheet) OAL File No. 2011-0624-01E -- DWR Proposed Emergency Agricultural Water Measurements Regulations (Title 23, Division 2, Chapter 5.1, Article 2, Sections 597, 597.1,597.2, 597.3, and 597.4).

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Fethi Benjemaa Department of Water Resources 901 P Street, Suite 313A Sacramento, CA 95814

and

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Re: Department of Water Resources Proposed Emergency Agricultural Water Measurements Regulations--Title 23, Division 2, Chapter 5.1, Article 2, Sections 597, 597.1, 597.2, 597.3, and 597.4 (OAL File No. 2011-0624-01E).

Dear Fethi Banjemaa, and OAL Reference Attorney:

The following are my comments on the aforementioned subject.

## PROPOSED EMERGENCY REGULATIONS DOCUMENT

- #1 Page 3, under Section 597.2. Definitions, add definitions for "Accuracy Certification", "Agricultural Water Management Plan", "Agricultural Water Management Plan Cycle", Agricultural Water Measurement", and "Efficient Water Management Practices".
- #2 Page 8, under Section 597.4(c) Records
  Retention, it is stated "Records documenting
  compliance with the requirements in" Section
  "597.3 and" Section "597.4 shall be maintained
  by the agricultural water supplier for ten years
  or two Agricultural Water Management Plan
  cycles". It is stated on Page 2 under number
  "3" that "The Department shall report on the

availability of new commercially available water measurement technologies and impediments to implementation of this Article when reporting to the Legislature the status of adopted Agricultural Water Management Plans in plan submittal years 2012, 2015 and every five years thereafter as required by California Water Code" Section "10845. The Department shall also report the findings to the California Water Commission". This statement indicates that the first two Agricultural Water Management Plan cycles would be 2012 and 2015, not 2015 and 2020. This will result in the retention of records for a shorter time span. I don't agree with a shorter time span. language needs to indicate the five-year cycle after 2015.

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED EMERGENCY RULEMAKING

- #1 The pages are not numbered making it difficult to refer to individual pages.
- #2 Telephone and facsimile numbers are not included in the contact information. Not all interested persons participate via e-mail, and with the state of the U.S. Postal Service's funding quagmire public comments may not arrive by the specified deadline (Page 2).
- #3 Why does the contact information on Page 2 for the Department of Water Resources differ from the name given in the OAL's NOTICE PUBLICATION/ REGULATIONS SUBMISSION EMERGENCY Form--Kent Frame; not Fethi Benjemaa?

Sincerely

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